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Victoria Rutson  
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Federal Agency: Surface Transportation Board ("STB")

Re: Environmental assessment regarding the abandonment of 7.4 miles of railroad between milepost 0ZF 5 and milepost 0ZF 12.4 (Docket AB-55 [Sub No. 674X])

Dear Ms. Rutson:

Pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. § 470f) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800, the staff of the Indiana State Historic Preservation Officer ("Indiana SHPO") has conducted an analysis of the materials dated September 19, 2006 and October 19, 2006, and received on September 22, 2006 and October 23, 2006, for the above indicated project in Honey Creek and Riley townships, Vigo County, Indiana.

Thank you for providing our office a copy of your environmental assessment.

We have noted that your environmental assessment indicates "the SHPO has not completed its review of the proposed abandonment." Please note that on September 5, 2006, the Indiana SHPO responded to CSX's historic report with a request for additional information and to date this information has no been provided. Once the requested information has been provided, the Indiana SHPO will resume identification and evaluation procedures for this project pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. § 470f) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800.

*A copy of the revised 36 C.F.R. Part 800 that went into effect on August 5, 2004, may be found on the Internet at [www.achp.gov](http://www.achp.gov) for your reference. If you have questions, please contact Shana Kelso of our office at (317) 232-1646.*

Very truly yours,

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